

to a maximum to be fixed by the Commissioners of the Treasury not exceeding six hundred pounds.

14. Promotion into the upper grade of the New Higher Division of the Playfair Scheme established under the foregoing clause shall be dependent on merit alone, and shall be made upon the recommendation of the Heads of Departments, provided that such Heads of Departments shall satisfy the Commissioners of the Treasury, before such promotion takes place, that the officer to be promoted is or will be insufficiently remunerated for the duties which he will be called upon to discharge by the scale of salary which he is receiving at the time when he is recommended for such promotion.

Any officer promoted under this clause shall accept such promotion subject to the condition that he shall give an attendance of not less than seven hours daily, without increase of salary in respect of increased attendance.

No officer who is in the receipt of duty-pay at the time of his promotion to the upper grade established by this clause shall rise, so long as he remains in that grade, beyond a salary of six hundred pounds, inclusive of such duty-pay.

15. The triennial increments hitherto allowed to Clerks of the New Higher Division of the Playfair Scheme shall be abolished, and, in lieu thereof, such Clerks shall receive annual increments of twelve pounds ten shillings.

The transition from triennial to annual increments in the case of existing Clerks shall be effected as follows:—

(1.) As from the first April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety, they shall receive an increment of salary equal to the proportion of their triennial increment of thirty-seven pounds ten shillings (omitting any fraction of a pound sterling) which may have accrued up to that date.

(2.) The next increment after that described in the preceding paragraph shall accrue on the first April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, and shall be at the rate of twelve pounds ten shillings; provided that the salary, apart from duty-pay, is not thereby raised above four hundred pounds per annum, in which case an increment shall be allowed of such sum, being less than twelve pounds ten shillings, as will raise the salary to four hundred pounds per annum.

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16. It shall be competent for the Commissioners of the Treasury to direct, should they see cause, that inquiry be made at intervals of not less than five years into the pay and numbers of officers employed by any Department of State.

17. At the beginning of each calendar year the Commissioners of the Treasury shall nominate four Principal Officers of Public Departments to serve on a Consultative Committee to advise the Commissioners upon questions of staff, salary, and organization for the calendar year then beginning. One of such four members shall be the Permanent Secretary, or (in his absence) the Assistant-Secretary, of the Treasury, and another shall be a representative of the Civil Service Commissioners; the remaining two shall be selected at the discretion of the Commissioners of the Treasury.

If the particular Department concerned in the inquiry be not represented on such Committee, there shall be added to it for the particular occasion a representative of such Department.

If the Department concerned in the inquiry be represented on such Committee, there shall be added, for each occasion, one other temporary member, being a Principal Officer of some other Department.

18. If proposals for increase of staff or pay, or for reorganization of a Department, have been submitted to the Commissioners of the Treasury, and the chief authority of the Department is not satisfied with the decision of the Commissioners thereupon, it shall be open to such chief authority to move the Chancellor of the Exchequer to refer the proposals, together with the decision thereupon, to the Consultative Committee, and on the Chancellor of the Exchequer consenting to such reference, the Consultative Committee shall examine the subject and report thereupon to the Commissioners of the Treasury.

19. Clause two of the Order in Council of the nineteenth August, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, is hereby repealed so far as regards the officers to whom this Order applies.

C. L. Peel.

AT the Court at *Osborne House, Isle of Wight*,
the 15th day of *August*, 1890.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

IN pursuance of the Winter Assizes Acts, 1876 and 1877, Her Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Most Honourable Privy Council, to order as follows:—

The jurisdiction of the Justices and Judges of the Central Criminal Court at any Session of Oyer and Terminer or Gaol Delivery, held or continued for the Central Criminal Court District in the months of October, November, or December, 1890, or January, 1891, shall extend to such part of the County of Surrey as is not now included in the Central Criminal Court District, as if such part of the County of Surrey were included in the Central Criminal Court District, and the Central Criminal Court Act shall apply to the said part of the County of Surrey, and offences committed therein, as if the said part of the County of Surrey were mentioned in that Act:

Subject nevertheless to the following modifications and exceptions:—

(1.) Nothing in this Order shall authorize the trial at the Central Criminal Court of any person for any offence triable at Quarter Sessions, except in accordance with the provisions of Sections 18 and 19 of the Central Criminal Court Act, or except such last-mentioned person be also there triable for any offence or offences not triable at Quarter Sessions.

(2.) For the purposes of this Order the said part of the County of Surrey shall be deemed to be included in the Commission in force for the time being for the Central Criminal Court.

(3.) Unless the Central Criminal Court shall otherwise direct, no person shall be summoned or returned from the said part of the County of Surrey to serve on any Grand Jury or Petty Jury at the Central Criminal Court, but any Grand Jury or Petty Jury constituted in accordance with the provisions of the 4th Section of the Central Criminal Court Act, shall have authority to inquire of, present, try, and determine all offences with respect to which jurisdiction is by this Order conferred on the Central Criminal Court.

(4.) Until Her Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, otherwise to order and direct, it shall be lawful for any Justice of the Peace or Coroner having jurisdiction within the said part of the County of Surrey, to commit any person charged with having committed any offence with respect to which jurisdiction is by this Order conferred on the Central Criminal